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February 27, 2024

To Interested Parties:

Re: Intimate Partner Violence – Follow Up on Direction

File Number: PG.25.06

At a meeting held on February 26, 2024, the Council of the Municipality of Clarington approved the following Resolution #GG-003-24:

That Report <u>LGS-003-24</u>, and any related delegations or communication items, be received for information;

That, in an effort to help prevent Intimate Partner Violence, Council take the following actions:

- a. Affirm that Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) has reached epidemic proportions;
- b. Continue to advocate, to the Region of Durham, for transportation services for residents accessing IPV-related support where public transportation is inadequate, or not available;
- c. Continue advocating for expanded cell service and high-speed internet throughout the community; and
- d. Continue to promote and support community safety outreach programs across the Municipality.

That the IDEA Officer be directed to:

e. Arrange training, in 2024, for front-line staff who may encounter IPV situations; f. Incorporate a reference to IPV within Clarington's 2024 Reconciliation Action Plan.

That Clarington Community Engagement Staff take the following actions:

- g. Promote and share public education campaigns to promote awareness about IPV including, where available, in multiple languages and formats;
- h. Identify/create, by end of 2024, private confidential spaces in libraries and community centres, where victims of IPV could make phone calls to shelters, police and victim services for support and guidance;
- i. Co-host age-appropriate community awareness programs which address IPV in 2024/2025;
- j. Propose a funding stream, as part of the 2025 budget, within the Community Funding Program, which supports community safety programs, including IPV, especially in rural areas of Clarington; and
- k. Install information and resources in recreation facility washrooms and community message boards in 2024.

That this resolution be forwarded to all Durham MPPs, the Ministry of the Attorney General, the Ministry of Women's Social and Economic Opportunity, Durham Region Council, all lower-tier Durham municipalities, and Durham Regional Police Services Board.

Yours truly,

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